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HONGKONG, WEUNESDAY, YBRUARY 23RD, 1808.

ESTABLISHED 1857.

J. B. & A. ARTAVO FREEES SUPERFINE

战三十二月二年八十九百八千帝英举作

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NOTICE OF FIRM

NOTICE.

MR. WALTER E. CHUN XUT has This Day been authorized to Sign our Firm

VICTORIA N X R PRECEPTORY

REGULAR MEETING of the VIC-

TORIA PRECEPTORY will be held

AND PRIORY.

the 26th February, at 8.90 for 9 r.M. precisely.

Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to

JOHN WALKER & SONS

KILMARNOCK WHISKY.

This World-renowned.

Fine OLD HIGHLAND WHISKY is shipped by

CUTLER, PALMER & Co., and is

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WINE SHIPPERS SINCE 1815,

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Who have consigned their Brands to Hongkong

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,

The sale of this good Scotch increases month

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LANE, CHAWFORD & Co.,

Hongkong.

by month; it is of Superb Quality and of

Sole Agents for it-

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PRICE \$10.75 PER DOZEN

G. C. ANDERSON,

No. 13, Praya Central.

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Distillations of the

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Hongkong, 22nd February, 1858.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1897.

per procuration for all rent receipts.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1898.

SJUST RECEIVED EX "NATAL." SALAD QIL, SALAD OIL, SALAD OIL.

0.75 8.50 20 oz... 24.oz 10.45 PURE LUECA OIL BEST FRENCH VEGETABLES in Glass. IMPERIALES ASPARAGUS, CHAMPIGNONS EXTRA, FRANCH BRANS EXTRA FINS, GREEN PEAS, BRUSSELA CABRAGES, MIXED MAGEDOINE (Julioune), HARICUIS

BESSEDE OLIVE OIL EXTRA SUPERFINE VIRGIN CLASIFIED 310.00

FLAGROLLETS! CAULIFLOWER. G. GIRAULTS at the FREEMASONS' HALL on SATURDAY, No. 6 QUERN'S ROAD CENTRAL

18 nz... 7.00 A

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JUST RECEIVED. A BHIPMENT OF OUR ATED STRAW HATS. ALL SIZES.

AUSTRIBIAN FROZEN MUTTON.

A limited supply still on hand in the Ice Co.'s Cold Storage Chamber. Orders should reach us before & o'clock P.M. for delivery the next morning.

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Price \$10.75 per 1 dozen bottles CHAMPAGNE BRUT. A Natural, i.e., a Brut, Sparkling Wine, of

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Pure and natural Wine: a tonic. CLARETS in Quarts and Pints.

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good salue.

Price \$14.25 per I dezen bottles.

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LA TORRE

Price 316.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

Price \$20.60 per 1 Nozen boitles.

LIQUEUR BENEDICTINE, D.O.M.

Price \$39.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

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DAKIN, CRUICK-HANK & Co., LIMITED, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS, DEALERS IN PHOTOGRAPHIC REQUISITES. MANUFACTURERS OF HIGH CLASS AERATED WATERS.

PRIOR \$25 PER MONTH

SHIPPING. ARRIVALS Feb. 21, Foochow, British steamer, 1,252, J. Blackbourne, Chinking 15th February, Rice.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Feb. 21, GUNSTA OF LIVERPOOL, British ship 1,718, Hearne, New York 24th September, Kerosine Oil.—STANDARD OIL Co. Feb. 22. Formosa, British str., 674, Hodgins, Tamsui 17th Feb., Amoy 19th, and Swatow

21st Fob., General.-DOUGLAS LAPRAIK Feb. 22, TURBO, British steamer, J. A. Moses, Singapore 15th February, Kerosine Oil .-ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Feb. 22, LENNOX, British str., 2361, Williamson, Liverpool and Singapore 16th Feb., General, - DODWELL CARLILL & Co.

. Culcutta 6th Feb., Penang 11th, and Singapore 16th, General .- JARDINE, MATHESON Feb. 22, ADMIRAL NACHIMOFF, Russian cruiser, 8,000, Nebogatoff, Nugasaki 17th February. Feb. 22, Rossia, Russian cruiser, 12,200, Domo-

Feb. 22, Chet. YDBA, British str., 1,575, R. Cass,

jiroff, I.R.N., Singapore 17th February. Feb. 22, Omi Maru, Japanese str., 1,533, C. Young, Japan 18th Feb., General.—Nippon YUSEN KAISHA.

Feb. 22, Und, Norwegian etc., 1,969, P. Hansen, New York and Singapore 18th Feb., General.-ORDER. Feb. 22. DARDANUS, British str., 2,846, T. M. Gregory, Liverpool and Singapore 17th Feb., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCES.

AT HARROUR MASTER'S OFFICE. 22nd February. Matsung.ia Maru, Japanese str., for Singaporo. Tsinan, British str., for Kobe. Tokio Maru, Japanese str., for Nagasaki, Decima, German str., for Saigon.

Hermes, Norwegian str., for Kobe.

Kweiyang, British str., for Canton.

Belgic, British str., for Amoy. Heinchi, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

Victoria, British str., for Amoy: Shantung, British str., for Tjilatjap. Arratoon Apear, British str., for Singapore. DEPARTURES. Feb. 22, HAILOONG, British str, for Swatow.

Feb. 22, CLARA, German str., for Holhow. Feb. 22, Triros, German str., for Saigon. Feb. 22, Belgic, British str., for S. Francisco. Feb. 22, PHRA CHOM KLAO, British str., for Swatow. Feb. 22, VICTORIA, British str., for Tacoma. Feb. 22, FOOCHOW, British str., for Canton.

Feb. 22, ALACRITY, British d.-v., for Chusan. Feb. 22, Kweiyang, British etr., for Canton. Feb. 22, Tokio Maru, Jap. etr., for Nagasaki. Feb. 22, Shantung, British str., for Java. Feb. 22, RICKMER RICKMERS, German bark, for Basseim. SQUARE BOTTLE WHISKY Feb. 22, Rio, German str., for Saigon. Feb. 22, HSINCHI, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

Feb. 22, ARRATOON APCAR, British str., for Feb. 22, TSINAN, British str., for Kobe.

PASSENGERS.

Per Formosa, from Tamsui, &c., Mr. Touzalia, Dr. Muller, Messrs, Blom and McAllister, and Cant. Raymond. Per Cheludra, from Caloutta, &c., Messra. Hye.

and Le Faux. Per OmiMaru, from Japan, Mrs. Gorda and 2 children, Miss Dinwoodie, Mr. G. Crichton.

Per Urd, from New York, &c., Mr. and Mrs. Carr and daughter. Per Belgie, for Amoy, Messrs. F. Leyburn,

H. P. White, F. B. Marshall, Rev. Jas. Juve, and Mr. A. Burlingame Johnson; for Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. Gribble, Messrs. C. J. Ashley, J. M. Dickenson, W. E. Southcott, M. Lapten, Mr. and Mrs Burkill, Messrs. W. K. McGregor, W. G. Pierle, W. H. Furness, Geo. Storing Lam Shin Cheek, Lam Tung Sam, N. G. Evans, R. E. Toeg, Cruickshank, Wong Pak Yuen, Wong Sook Soo, Lai Kwai Pöi, Quai Lam Ping, Mrs. Chang She, Messrs. Sam Pak Ham, Lai Kwai Pay, Ching Cheng Wai, Mr. and Mrs. Sampson and infant. Messrs. Yoo Wie Yan, J. J. Clarke, Major Conally, Mrs. and Miss Blane, and Mr. N. K. Anderson; for Kobe, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Eckley, Mr. Essabley and child, Miss McDougall, Miss Dow, Mr. McDougall; for San Francisco, Mr. R. Post, Mrs. Naptaly and infant, Mr. W. Yates; for London, Mr. T. D. Stinson, Rev. Chas. Swynnerton, Mr. J. I. G. Beake; for Hamburg, Mr. M. Fleinster.

Por Tokto Maru, for Japan, Messrs. C. Bell,
A. W. Teale, Mr. and Mrs. Takagi. Per Victoria, for Kobe, Mr. H. Grimble. Per Tsinan, for Kobe, Mrs. Bishop and Mr.

VESSELS IN DOCK. ABERDEEN DOCKS -Kowtoon Docks.-Kwanglee, Martha, Cos. mopolit, Butuan, Loosok, Taichiow, Esmeralda,

Auction Wines, &c., Mr. Brewitt, 2.30 p.m. Dramatic Company, H.M.S. Powerful, Thears Royal, 9.15 p.m.

TO TO-MORROW.

TRONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM-

TIME TABLE. WEEK DAYS.

7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ... Every quarter of an hour, 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. ... Every half hour. 12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. ... Everyquarter of an hour.

to 11.15 p.m. every half hour. HATURDAYS.

8.45 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. Every half hour. 10.30 a.m. and 10.40 a.m. Noon to 2 p.m. Every quarter of an hour

3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Every quarter of an hour Night cars at \$.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., and from 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour. SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Compuny's Office, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS& SON,

General Managers. Hongkong, 1st April, 1896.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

TAROM this date the Business of the SOCIETY will be conducted at the BRANCH OFFICE, No. 9, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, with entrance in ICE HOUSE

W. H. TALBOT. Sub Manager for the East. Hongkong, 7th February, 1898. [388]

BILLIARDS.

UDURROUGHES & WATTS' REVISED PRICE LIST of BILLIARD TABLES and BILLIARD ROOM RE-QUISITES can be had at the Office of the Honokona Daily Press. Hongkong, 17th February, 1898. [474]

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advertiseménts.

ARMY CONTRACTS.

FITENDERS will be received for the supply of PROVISIONS, and for SERVICES. as below, required for the Troops at Hongkong for 12 months from lat April next:-PROVISIONS ...

I .- General Supplies for Troops, including BEEF, GROCERIES, VEGETABLES; also COAL, WOOD, OIL, &c. 2.--Hospital Supplies, including Buck, Mur-TON, FOWLS, GROCERIES, FRUIT,

WINES, and Medical Comforts gen-SERVICES :-3.—Provision of LAUNCHES and BOATS

on hire, Coolie Labour and WATCH-4.—WASHING BEDDING and CLOTHING. 5.—SCAVENGING, SWEEPING CHIMNEYS, and supplying DRY EARTH. 6.—Lighting and supplying OIL for Lamps.
7.—Purchase of empty Porter Hogshrads.
Tenders must be made on Forms which, with any further information required, may be obtained at HEADQUARTER OFFICE, B. Com-

missariat Buildings, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily up to the 2nd March, Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898,

NAVAL CONTRACT, 1898-99. EALED TENDERS, in Duplicate, will be received by the VICTUALLING STORE-THURSDAY, the 3rd proximo, from persons

desirous of supplying, the undermentioned articles for the use of H.M. Navy for the year 1898-99:---Bisenit Raisins Soft Bread Rice ` Flour Sugar Fresh Beef Fresh Milk Fresh Vegetables

Water for Drinking Fresh Potatoss and Boilers Printed Forms of Tenders and further Particulars can be obtained at the Victualling Storekeeper's Office. The right to reject the lowest or any Tender

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898. PUBLIC AUCTION.

Hongkong Victualling Yard,

PUBLIC AUCTION, on Account and Risk of the Concerned. at their Auction Rooms, Ico House Street. TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 23rd February, 1898, at 11 AM., 25 FOUNTS CHINESE CHARACTERS,

29 Ralas PRINTING PAPER, each bale containing 19 Reams, suitable for Printing Newspapers. TEBMS :-- As Customary. HUGHES & HOUGH. Auctioneers. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898.

PUBLIC AUGITON. HE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1898, Commencing at 2.30 P.M. within the house No. 45, WYNDHAM STREET, A QUANTITY OF EXCELLENT HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE. Comprising :HE DRAWING ROOM SUITE, MIRRORS, CARPETS, EXTEN SION DINING TABLE, MOROCCO COVERED. CHAIRS, SIDEBOARD, IRON and BRASS BEDSTEADS, WARD. ROBES. DRESSING TABLES and

WASHSTANDS, BATHROOM, PANTRY and KITCHEN REQUISITES. On View from FRIDAY, 25th Feb., 1898. TREMS :- Clearance on Monday, 28th inst. | communicate at once with his brother; or anyone Cash on delivery. able to give any information concerning him HUGHES & HOUGH, will oblige by communicating with Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898. A ROMANCE OF MALAYA BY A LOCAL WRITER.

THRILLING TALE OF LOVE AND ADVENTURE IN PAHANG DURING THE RECENT RESELLION. Abdiction of an English Girl.

CAPTURE OF TWO AMERICANS. ROUNSEVELLE WILDMAN, M.A. UNITED STATES CONSUL-GENERAL.

The first instalment of THE PANGLIMA MUDA will appear in The Hongkong Daily Press.

SATURDAY, 26th February. "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS FOR SHANGHAL KODE, AND YOKOHAMA.

I I HE Steamship Captain Day, will be desputched as above on about TUESDAY, the 1st March. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,

Agents. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898. "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEDS. S.S. "LENNOX."

ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby innominees at his death, without any further
formed that all Goods are being landed charge to himself; or he may surrender the
at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Comcost of this valuable protection to £55 per pany, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the annum. Wharves delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods GUARANTEES supported by surplus fands. have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining exceeding.

undelivered after the 28th inst. will be subject All Claims against the Steamer must be pre- In addition to these QUARANTERS there is a sented to the Undersigned on or before the cash bonus nor GUARANTEED, and dependent 28th inst., or they will not be recognised. On the future of business. On policies such as All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to above, taken out in 1877, the cash boung in 1897 28th inst., or they will not be recognised. be left in the Godowns, where they will be ex. was £2,255.

amined on the 28th inst., at 3 p.m.

Full inform No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., . Agents. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898.

ADVERTISEMENTS

THEATRE POSSO CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG MATEUR TARAMATIC will give a third & final performance of THE DUCHESS OF BAYS-WATER & CO."

"A PANTOMIME REHEARSAL." SATURDAY, 26th February, 1898, Curtain rises at 9 P.M. precisely.

...\$3, \$2, and \$1 Prices ... Half price to the Pit for Soldiers, Sailors, and Police in Uniform. SEATS can be booked at the THEATRE on and after THURSDAY, 24th February. Bucking Office open from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Late trams quarter of an hour after fall of

E. W. MITCHELL, Hon_Secretary. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

FIHE Company's Steamship "CHELYDRA' having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are heroby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on heard after 4 P.M. of the 24th instant will be landed at Consignees risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898. NOTICE is bereby given that two deafts for Tis. 2,000 and Tis. 2,500 respectively EEEPER, H.M. Victualling Yard, until Noon on | drawn on PAK CHUEN TUNG ([]] if of Canton and payable to CHEONG KEE (of Hongkong have been LOST on or about the 24th day of December last year between Hongkong and Canton while in the course of posting. Notice of such loss has been duly given to the said PAK CHUEN TUNG of Canton aforesaid. Should these drafts be found by or in any way come into the pessession of any one other than the said

> of any value. 8. W. TSO, Solicitor for PAK CHUEN TUNG, Canton Hongkong, 18th February, 1898.

CHEONG KEE they will not be deemed to be

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING WEAVING, & DYEING CO., LD. TOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST to Sell by

TOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST INSTALMENT of \$20 per Share on the Shares in above COMPANY becomes due on the Nineteenth day of March next, and payment thereof must be made to the Bankers of the Company, viz., the Hongkone & Shang-HAI BANKING CORPOBATION, on or before

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 19th February, 1898. NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS.

A MERICAN CITIZENS residing in the licial square foot. CONSULAR DISTRICT OF CANTON, which A stock of the Compositions is kept really for includes Sanshui, Wuchow, Macao, sale packed in 5 cwt. casks. Price for ton lots Swatow, Holhow and Pakhol, are REQU. \$100 per ton F.O.B., or in smaller quantities at ESTED to REGISTER at this Consulate either 36 per cwt. F.O.B. personally or by certificate setting forth the date and place of birth and last residence in the

United States. The advantages of registration are obvious and may prove of value in time of need. There is no fee or charge for registration. EDWARD BEDLOE, U.S. CONSUL.

United States Consulate. CANTON, China, 1st February, 1898. [493 WIISSER'S DUTCH VEGETABLES. For superior to any other tinned vegetables shipped to the East. Only sold by: KWAN TAI.

110, Queen's Road. Hongkong, 1st February, 1893. MISSING FRIENDS. FETHOMAS COLLINS NISBET, formerly engineer. C. S. N. Co., is requested to

DE. W. B. NISBET, Townsville. Queensland,

H HAVE This Day RESUMED CHARGE of the COMPANY'S BRANCH OFFICE at A. S. MIHARA, Manager. Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. [498]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE. ANKERS and the Public are cautioned BONDS of the 5 % CHINA GOLD LOAN, the

property of the Undersigned :-C. 99,067 to 99,071 for £100 each. B. 55.165 for £50. -H.L. DALRYMPLE. Hongkong, 18th February, 1898.

"MELDRUM" FURNACES THESE FURNACES are specially adapted BRANDY, CLARET, PORT, CHAM. dez. quart bottles. for coal dost, coke dust, and fuels of an PAGNE, BEER, GIN, KUMMEL, inferior quality, and by their use a great sav- SPIRITS of WINE, &c. ing is effected generally. Smoke is reduced to

a minimum and boiler power largely increased JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents for Hongkong & China. Hongkong, 29th January 1898.

What is endow-

ment Assurance? A MAN 35 years of age may seeme for his family, in event of his own premature death, a certain provision of £1,400 in cash, or £300 per annum for 20 years certain, by the INVESTMENT of £276 yearly. At maturity of FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND the policy, 20 years hence he can secure payment of the above mentioned sums to his

These are not ESTIMATES; they are

£10.500,000 STERLING.

Full information on request to THE EQUITABLE LAFE ASSURANCE SOCIEDY OF THE U.S. W. H. TALBOT, Sub-Manager for the East. Hougkong, 19th February, 1898, [807a

ENTERTAINMENT

CITY HALL By kind Permission of Captain the Hon. UNDWORTH LAMBTON. THE DRAMATIC COMPANY H.M.S. POWERFUL

Will give a Performance

TO NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), 23rd February, Commencing at 9.15 P.M. TINTERTAINMENT Concluding with the GRAND REALISTIC TABLEAUX.

"SONS OF THE OCEAN." The whole to conclude with the Laughable "BORROWED PLUMES." THE SPLENDID STRING BAND Will play selections during the Performance.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Back Sents Soldiers and Sailors half-price except to the Seats may be Booked at the Remisson

Prano Co.'s Saloon. Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. LESSONS IN FRENCH. NEW and EASY METHOD of LEARN-ING FRENCH in a Few Months, mainly by Conversation, by a Frenchman.

Fees very moderate. Apply to Care of Office of this Paper. Hongkong, 5th January, 1898

NOTICE. YUBARI COAL. AM now importing this well known Coul direct from the Mines in Japan. YUBARI COALShas been proved most suitable for Ironclads, Steamers, Manufactories, &c.

I am also importing MOJI COALS and
have always a large stock on hand.

Intending, purchasers are respectfully requested to communicate with the undersigned, and all orders will receive prompt attention.

Coal Merchant. No. 34, Praya Central. Hongkong, lat February, 1898. THE MICASTOS FACTORY.

CHAN A TONG.

MR. C. HOLDSWORTH, Superintendent at Works, Saukiwan Road, Hongkong. The General Managers are prepared to enter into contracts for covering boilers and steam

pipes with either MICA or ASBESTOS COMPOSITIONS at the following quotations:— 55 cts. per superfical square foot for boilers .. steam pipes Exposed Steam pipes needing extra wrapping and canvas and tar dressing will be treated with the above Compositions at \$1.05 per super-

All works will be under the personal supervision of Mr. Holdsworth and all orders must be sent through the undersigned,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 10th February, 1898.

AUCTIONS PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned have received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION

TO-DAY

(WEDNESDAY), the 23rd February, 1898, at NOON. at H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING CONDEMNED STORES, Comprising :-OLD IRON. PAPER STUFF, RAGS,

&c., &c. The Sale of VICTUALLING STORES will commence at about 1.30 P.M. THEMS OF SALE :- As customery. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898.

CANVAS, CLOTHING, IMPLEMENTS,

-PUBLIC AUCTION. —— FIRE Undersigned has received instructions PUBLIC AUC'TION TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 23rd February, 1898.

Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,

at his Sales Rooms, Zetland Street, No. 2, for account of whom it may concerns A LARGE QUANTITY OF WINES, PROVISIONS AND STORES. Comprising :-BUTTER, TINNED VECETABLES, MARGARINE, BISCUITS, TINNED OYSTERS, &c., SOUPS, SALTED BEEF, OATMEAL, LIME JUICE, VINEGAR,

HANDKERCHIEFS. PORCELAIN WARE, BEADS, LAMPS, CLOCKS, GLOVES, UMBRELLAS, NECKTIES, BOAP, SINGLETS, THREAD, SOCKS,

&c., &c., A LOT OF FURNITURE & FIXINGS. On View at the Undersigned's. TERMS OF SALE :- Cash before delivery as PAUL BREWITT,

Hongkong, 19th February, 1898.

GLASSWARE, MIRRORS, TOBACCO.

PUBLIC AUCTION. (THURSDAY), the "4th February, 1898, at 3 p.m..

at " ISADALE," Kowloon,

SHRUBS, POTS AND PLANTS

A LARGE QUANTITY OF

(ABOUT 1,600).

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898.

Auctioneer.

Comprising :—
Very Fine FERNS, PALMS, CROTONS, ROSE TREES, &c., &c., &c. A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. FLOWERS now on View in Luts. TERMS :- As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

BOUCHE FILS & CIE. LIGHT, DRY, NATURAL WINES OF SUPERIOR QUALITY.

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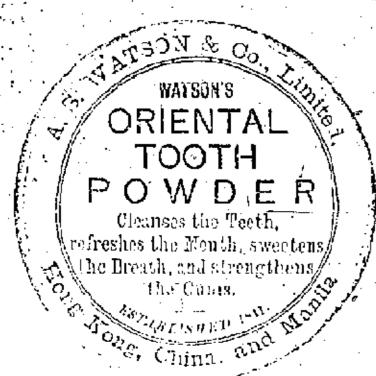


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Honokone, February 23rd, 1898.

NOTHING dies harder than a mania, especkally, if that mania takes the form of working for the supposed good of others The various societies for converting Jews and other Eastern people from the faiths or creeds they have held for the past two or three thousand years, for dressing savages in the clothes of modern civilisation, for compelling the public to practice total abstinence from alcoholic drinks, for making men continent by act of Parliament, or for depriving the Chinese of their chief stimulant, these flourish and endure, no matter how often rebuffed, and regardless of financial stress or national complications, It might, however, readily have been supsion of Inquiry into the Opium Trade-and especially now that it is a well known fact, which has even reached the dull ears and unwilling sight of the fanatical disciples of Saint PEASE, that China produces the larger proportion of the opium smoked in that Empire-that the Anglo-Oriental Society for the Suppression of the Opium Trade would have been glad to retire into the obscurity from which it so causelessly sprang Such is not the case. Though we hear somewhat less nowadays about these fatuous fanaties they still exist as a blatant body, eagerly waiting for some new opportunity to force themselves and their misstatements upon a longsuffering public. Only so recently as the 12th ultimo, the members of the Society met at breakfast at the Cannon Street Hotel, London, under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. Moure, Principal of Ridley Hall, Cambridge. It is charitably to be hoped that the meeting was really a little social gathering, a meeting of old acquaintances in the metropolis, the excuse given being business of the Anti-Opium Society. Or perhaps it was really a genuine attempt, after a good meal, to galvanise a moribund justitution and a lost cause into life and movement again. At any rate a resolution was, we while, on their shoulders, they carried heavy learn from the Times, moved by another rev. gentleman, Prebendary WEBE-PERIOE.

the following effect:-" This meeting, mer hearing statements as to the effect of "the opium habit in China, from trust-"worthy Englishmen, long resident there "and intimately versed in the social life of the people, is profoundly moved by the " vast extent of the vice disclosed and the "irresistible evidence of the moral and " physical ruin which ever dogs its footsteps. " It is clear that the growth of the poppy is " spreading more and more throughout the act of grace worthy of all commendation in the "Empire, and that the home supplies are "gradually excluding Indian opium. We " responsibilty of our country. By fostering ritual shall be confined within the limits of the "and enforcing the opium trade for the sake temple.

"spread of this fatal vice. We call on our "countrymen, before it is too late, to stop this unrighteous and demoralizing traffic, "and to let their influence at last tell in "ancient and afflicted people." This long winded piece of claptrap was, of course, adopted unanimously. There it will end for the present, but the Society will no doubt later on proceed to reitorate its former libels and calumnies on British merchants and officials. The anti-opium faddists do at last recognise that the main portion of the drug is produced in China, but they do not propose to go to the Chinese Government tion. If the habit of opium smoking were really as peruicious and harmful as the day night this was not the case anti-opium Society makes out, why do not its agents come forward with a proposal for a simultaneous prohibition of the production and import of the drug? They, however, have only one cry - abolish the trade

India ceased to-morrow to export opium, the stones and destroy the interesting guin the supply would in a very short time be which has already sustained considerable injury unde up from Persia, Turkey, and other countries, while the home production of the drug would be doubled in a few state of order, instead of allowing it to be used years. In this case, what good would a ran for their pigs? have been achieved by the retirement of India from a profitable trade to the serious detriment of its revenue? The in front of the City Hall. There was a large plain sober truth is far from what is aftendance and bidding was at times very brink. stated by the hysterical agitators on the were fetched. Glendubh, \$45; Tantivy, \$70; Exeter Hall and other London platforms; Opinm when eaten is no doubt pernicious. and when smoked to excess is certainly deleterious, but the number of smokers who indulge in it to excess is comparatively small, and the misery entailed by the abuse of this stimulant in the whole vast area of the Chinese Empire is probably nothing like so great as that wrought by the abuse of alcohol in London alone. If the worthy people led by Prebendary PEPLOE would only devote their energies, time, and money to the removal of the beam of drunkenness

execution as the poisoner of a race. The N. P. steamer Mogul sailed from Portland on the 19th inst. for Japan and Hongkong:

from the British eye instead of striving

vainly to pick the mote of opium smoking

from the Celestial organ of vision, they

would do some real good instead of the harm

effected by mistakenly and mischievously

holding up the British Government to

The N. P. steamer Columbia sailed from Tacoma on the 19th inst, for Japan and Hong-

The tank steamer Turbo, which arrived vesterday, had to put back to Colombo an hourmater leaving that port, in consequence of a burst steam pipe.

We would remind our readers of the variety entertainment to be given at the Theatre Roya this evening by the Dramatic Company of Malaya." The novel was originally published H.M.S. Powerful.

The Russian cruiser Rossia, which bears a strong resemblance to our own Powerful, arrived yesterday from Europe. The Admiral Nachimoff dso arrived from Japan.

The match between the Hongkong Football Club and the Kowloon Football Club in the second round of the shield competition resulted in a victory for Kowloon by three goals to one.

rnary fire broke out in the carpenters' shed of the Yokohama Dock Co. and two godowns were entirely destroyed and a third partially des-

The China Provident Loan and Mortgage Tomes & Co. are the General Managers. The capital is \$1,000,000 divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each, \$5 being called up.

With reference to the extension of the Burmah railway into China, a Peking telegram in the Japan papers states that Great Britainhad demanded "the right to construct a railway from Burmah to Chingtu, Szechuen."

Japan claims that China's acquiescence in he repairs of the Formosa-Amoy cable at length fixes the question of awaership in her favour Sixty out of the hundred miles of cable have been overhauled and renovated; the remaining section will be taken in hand ere long .- Hiogo

Inland lot No. 1,465, situated on the McDonfiell stoad and containing 14,462 square feet, was sold by public auction on Monday afternoon on behalf of the Government. The annual posed, after the result of the Royal Commis- 81,735. The purchaser was Mr. A. Denison, , whose hid was \$1,760.

> Yesterday being the anniversary of George Washington's birtuday the men-ef-war in port were decorated and salutos were fired at noon. At night the U.S. S. Columbia was brilliantly illuminated in honour of the occasion, a great feature being a powerful search light which was placed on the top of each of the two masts.

> The Cam, an English steamer from New York with a cargo of kerosine oil, arrived at Yokohama on the morning of the 9th February. She had rather a nasty experience the provious night, grounding on the spit at Putsu, down the bay. With assistance from Yokohama the fore part of the ship was lightened and she got oil at high water next morning.

> The Government of the Straits Settlements has written to the Singapore Chamber of Comnercorreplying to the communication in which that Chamber forwarded to the Government the result of the recent debate and vote on the Straits currency question. The Government intimates that, having regard to the very divided state of public opinion, as shown in the Chamber's debate, nothing can be promised except that the Government will take the whole matter into consideration.

"The Moralist" of the Straits Times, writing on 12th February, says:—On Saturday, some of the public spectacles of self-inflicted torture among the Klings, who took part in the Hindu festival, were brutal and revolting in the extreme. There were men and women, some of the latter being almost girls, allowed to walk along the public street, in day-light, on wooden sandals full of spikes, some two inches long, ornamental burdens, which retarded their pro- dress. gress and pressed their feet painfully upon the spiked sanduls. That was bad enough; but, to make matters still more agonising, they had long thin spikes thrust through their cheeks and lips, while suspended from brassheaded nails driven up to the hilt int their backs and breasts were numerous meta balls attached to chains. One man had his bod oristling with sharp pointed fish bones embedded into his flesh, while in another case a girl had a steel skower pierced through her tongue and ower lip. Many of these victims of fauntic zeal were in such a state of collapse that keep them from fainting. Voluntary selfmutilation for the sake of religion may be an eyes of a Hindu, and morally, perhaps, no one has a right to object to such mutilation, but when these religious practices are paraded, in "submit that these facts only enhance the all their ghastly details, in public streets, then the public have a right to demand that such

of revenue. Great Britain has been the | An alarming launch accident occurred about "main factor in breaking down such barriers leon ferry wharf. The Heron ran into the "as formerly existed in China against the Dakin and the latter launch was so much damaged that she sank almost immediately Happily no lives were lost.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club H.M.S. "favour of justice and good will to this the second round for the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield. When these two teams met fow days age a draw resulted.

There was another large audience at the City Hall on Monday night, when the Hongkong Amateur Dramatio Club gave their second production of "The Duchess of Bayswater and Co," and "A Pantomino Rehenral," amongst those present being H.E. the Acting Governor, Major General Black. Excellent as was the first performance, noticeable improvements were effected in both pieces, and each again created much hearty laughter. Another performance is to be given on Saturday night and urge effective prohibition of the cultiva- and we would express the hope that if any talking is allowed on the stage foreign to the piece It should be conducted in whispers. On Mon-

Visitors to Macao cannot fail to be struck with the state of neglect into which the handsome facade of the church of San Paulo has been allowed to fall. From the Echo Macaense we learn that the Municipal Council has now given orders that all the shrubs that have taken root between India and China; retire from the in the interstices of the stones ore to be cut business! This is absolutely puerile. If This a step in the right direction, as the growth of these shrubs would in course of time dislodge little further and clear and enclose the whole area of the church and so bring it into a decent by the occupants of the surrounding hovels as

> The annual sale by auction of race ponies. was held yesterday afternoon by Mr. T. Hough The following were some of the prices which Castanet, \$150; Codfish, \$165; Viceroy, \$65 Digby Grand, \$220; Silver Bell, \$145; Jacks daw 875 : Reverse, \$65 : Aspirant, \$70 ; Foeman, 105; Stancemun, \$145; Bannerman, \$165; Springfield, \$90; Rubio, \$140; Beochtree, \$60 Circuit, \$69; Beechnut, \$165; Honest John. 860; Oliver, \$240; Allington, \$25; Ingoldsby Bluefire, \$90; Fortunatus, \$110; Gamecock, \$140; Prior's Wood, \$55; Shetland, \$40; Provost Marshall, \$50; Bickleigh, \$250; Hector! \$145 Bullfinch \$75; Display, \$80; Saucy, \$50, Slander, \$110; Greenfinch, \$110; Mulatto, \$60; Mansachte \$130 : Feste drauf, \$60; Toesin,

A charge of forgery by an Indian engaged the attention of Hon. H. E. Wodehouse yesters day afternoon. The prosecutor is also an Indian living in Elgin Street, and he is a tailor by trade. On the 4th of this month he put \$260 into the savings bank of the National Bank of China. On the 18th he missed his bank book from his room, and he suspected the prisoner who is also a tailor living in the prosecutor's house, of having stelen the book. On the 19th prosecutor went to the Bank to make enquiries about his book and he there learned that the whole of the \$260 had been withdrawn from the Bank. He communicated with the police and Detective Inspector Moffatt arrested the pri-Bank identified the first prisoner as being the blew in gusts, making good shooting at the name, and received the money. The prosecutor the best scores was anable to read or write. There was no evidence against the second prisoner and he was Gunner Donaldson 26 29 22 12 discharged, while the first prisoner was remanded until to-morrow.

In next Saturday's issue we will commence the republication (by permission) of a novel by Mr. Ronnsevelle Wildman, U.S. Consul-Goneral, entitled "The Pauglima Muda, A Romance of by the Overland Monthly Publishing Co., San Francisco, three years ago, and was favourably reviewed. "One of the most interesting novels of the day" was the verdict of the Times. The following notice is from the San Francisco Argonaut .- Rounsevelle Wildman, who was for three years United States Consul at Singapore. turned to excellent literary account his esidence in the "Golden Chersonese" by making it the scene of an exciting story of adventure The Panglima Muda is its title, and it nar rates the experience of two Americans—one a At Yokohama on the night of the 10th Feb. collector for the Smithsonian Institution and the other a commissioner for the World's Fair at Chicago-during a war among the native rinces of the Malaccan poninsula. The remantic element is brought in by the fact that one of these Americans falls in love with an English girl who has been abducted from a ball at the residency in Pahang by a native prince who had conceived a lasting possion for her while a student in her father's home in England. As this native has all the inveterious powers of the Orient at his command and is equally a master of Occidental civilization, the course of the young people's true love does not run

Mr. F. Morley Fletcher, Craft Muster and Teacher of Painting at the University Extension College, Reading, gave a demonstration recently of a system of colour printing from wood blocks based on Jananese methods. Mr. Eletcher began his lecture by giving a brief ecount of the artistic work of Japan, and by pointing out its influence upon English de corative art. In Japan the products of artistic genius were not the monopoly of the rich, but Japanese art expressed itself in the delicacy and charm of numberless articles in common domestic use. The zenith of Japanese watercolour art was apparently about eighty years back. The peculiar excellence of their paper, derived from the mulberry tree, and freedom and insight of their study of nature enabled them to produce water-colour prints of infinite variety and charm. From first to last their process of Eproduction had nothing to do with machinery. The printers and woodcutters were themselves artists, yet by means of the simplest methods of handiwork, it was possible to get as many as five thousand reproductions. Mr. Fletcher then explained how the idea of following the Japanese methods had occurred to him. The great difficulty was to find out exactly how, the Japanese applied their colours. A translation of a manual in the possession of the United States Government was procured, and by means of this and some hints derived from a Japanese ivory worker in andon, the secret of the craft was mastered. It was now possible, by means of this method to produce a print in water-colours of real and peculiar artistic quality,, and yet at a price within the reach of those to whom original printings were impossible. Beyond all doubt there was a practical tuture for work of this character, work which did not degrade the craftsman into a machine, and which, moreover, could well be undertaken by women. Mr Fletcher than proceeded to give an actual demonstration of the process of producing a print, and the whole lecture was made interesting by the presence of pictures, prints, blocks, colours, tools, and other equipments required in colour printing.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS," LONDON 20th February.

PARLIAMENT. The House of Commons has voted the Ad-

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN \cdot , AFRICA. the Governor of Lagos stating that a British force of Hausas occupied Boria, in the Lagos | during the past year, and it has been suggested hinterland, on the 6th instant, and that the that some explanation of this may be French arriving there on the 9th instant ordered the lowering of the Union Jack. This being refused the French force withdrew and encamped outside the town. The French have sary for some time to come. The explanation hinterland of the Gold Coast and marched past

Northcoto's protest. THE ARMY ESTIMATES. The British Army estimates show an increase to the establishment, exclusive of India, of 16,946 men, as compared with the estimates of 1897. whereof 286 are officers.

the British post at Mussa despite of Major

SUPREME COURT. 19th February.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS. . BEFORE SIR JOHN CARRINGTON (CHIEF

VICTIMISING WOMEN. Lam Sam; Yam Yan, and Li Chenk were charged with stealing a quantity of jewellery from a woman on the 5th January. The prisoners, who were not defended, plended not gullty Hon W. M. Goodman (Altorney The Attorney-General expedited that the orisoners had preved upon gullible women pretending to have found a very valuable andle of notes which they were auxious to eposit in consideration of scourity in the shape of jewellery or money or both being left with hem. In several cases women had fallen into the trap and when it wen too late had found that the bundle was valueless. In the present case the woman had handed to the prisoners a pair of gold bangles, a gold finger ring, and

one gold-washed finger ring. Two of the prisoners were found guilty of tenling and one of unlawfully receiving. The first two were sent to read for twelve months and the third for nine months with hard labour. BEFORE MR. JUSTICE WISE. 21st February. The above named prisoners were also charged

with another offence of a similar kind:

raol for two years with hard labour. THEFT PROM THE DOCKS A Chinaman in the amployment of the Dock Company was found guilty of stealing over \$1,000 worth of brass feeings from the Cosmopolitan Dock.

They were found guilty and each was sent to

He was sent to go with hard labour

Two Indians were charged with administer ing a drug to an ex-private in the Hongkong Mr. Robinson explained that the first pri soner, for whom he appeared, understood Hindustant very imperfectly, and it would therefore be necessary to get an interpreter other than the Court interpreter His Lordship remarked that the prisoners

nade a statement at the Magistracy which was apparently interpreted all right. Mr. Robinson said he did not know until that morning that there was a difficulty in obtaining an interpreter but probably Lieut Campbell who was present in court could The Attorney-General said it was impossible

o obtain an interpreter that day and so the case would necessarily have to be adjourned.

After some further discussion Liout. Campbell said he would do what he could to obtain competent and impartial interpretor from the His Lordship, in adjourning the case natil to

morrow immarked that forty summary cases were down for hearing, but the criminal Sesgions would have to be finished first. He was very sorry the jurymon and had their trouble

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS. KOWLOON DETACHMENT. The fourth competition for the "Gillies

Cup" took place on the Naval range. The soner and another man. Witnesses from the weather was dall and rainy, while the wind man who went to the Bank, signed prosecutor's 500 yds. rather difficult. The following were

Sergt McPhail Gunner Swanston 27 ,, Gilchrist 26 Corp. Butter Gunner Deas 18- 16 Wilson

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO, LIMITED.

The eleventh ordinary annual meeting of the Hongkong and Retheon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited was held yesterday at the company's office. Hon J. J. Bell-Treing presided and there were also present-Messrs H. Ritchie, E. S. Wheeller, G. D. Boning, C. S. Sharp, C. Beurmann, A. J. Raymond. Ross, D. Gubbay, N. A. Siebs (Directors) Osborne (Secretary), G. C. Cox. R. C. Wilcox. Jordan, E. Georg, G. B. Dodwell, E. Dodwell, J. Goosmann, Granville Sharp, Ho Tung, and Ho Fock,

The SECRETARY read the notice convening The CHAIRMAN-Gentlemen, the report and accounts for the past year have been in your hands for some days, and with your permission we will take them as read. business of the company for 1897, taken as whole, shows improvement on previous years; but we find that year by year as Hongkong becomes less a centre of transhipment to other ports our receipts from this, a more profitable class of work, diminish accordingly. The falling off, it is true, is more than compensated for by new and extended business in other directions. but the substituted work is of a nature which shows small profit and entails proportionately greater work and expense. Apart from storage, almost the whole of this increased business has t may be said, been we said from Chinese compelitors, and it is gratifying to know that in spite of the severe, and I gaight almost add unfair, competition, to which we are subject, we have, with the exception of one class of cargo, retained in our hands everything thus acquired. This exception, viz., the handling and storage of coal, is a subject which has engaged the attention of your directors, but we find impossible to improve matters to any extent for the reason that a public company cannot resort to those subtle expediencies by means of which others, in the same line of business, appear to command so large a measure of success. The new West Point godowns, notwithstanding the low rates for storage accepted elsewhere, have been kept profitably filled, and in order to extend business relations with our binese supportors, we are erecting further accommodation on the land recently occupied by, the transit shed. As regards the Wanchai-gadowus, which ron will recollect were leased in 1896, I have only to remark that the results have so far fully justified the action of source of revenue which it may be urged is scarcely within the scope of the company's the Chinese houses at Kowloon. A very lew

your Board in acquiring them. Turning to a operations, you will observe it stated in the report that we have made further additions to years ago, the land on which these bouses stand, and which comprises 19,248 square feet, was waste ground yielding nothing. - It is now bringing in a nett yearly rental of \$4,800, which, capitalised at 8 per cent, makes the property worth \$60,000. The company owns 126,353 feet of ground adjoining those houses, and it will be the policy of your Board to develop this portion of your property in a simifar manner, so that should the necessity arise, it can be utilised towards the repayments of the debentures, and this too without seriously interfering with the Company's business. The assets of the company, I may again remind you, stand in our balance sheet at a very low figure -the buildings and other moveable property at less than the cost of replacing them, whilst the land figures at considerably below its market value to-day. With regard to the company's indebtedness, outside of debentures, the amount of which has gradually increased of late years, the whole of the money. I may mention, has been spent in new buildings and other additions Mr. Chamberlain has received a telegram from | to the company's assets, all of which are of a sum has been spent in repairs and improvements advisable in view of the statement in

Prince Henry of Prussia is expected to arrive here on the evening of Tuesday, the 22nd inremunerative character. You will notice a large garden party, to be held in the Club grounds, our report for 1895 that \$25,000 was estimated juggling feats, conjuring tricks, performances | the Northern and Hakka dialects, from which to cover the expenditure for the following year, and that no exceptional outlay would be necesbuckets of water had to be thrown over them to also established a military post at Wae in the is, that the \$25,000 applied more especially to the limited space of the Club E-curds, they to make up the deficiency in the resources for wharves, and on reference to what I stated at | cannot invite as many as they would like | forming language. Hence we find that the | 2886] our meetings in 1898 and 1897, you will find Prince Henry is now in Ceylon. He arrived at Cantonese dialect has as many as ten tones and that my remarks on the subject of repairs ren. Colombo on Wednesday last. The Governor the Fukenese eight, while the Hakka has dered this more clear. Since then, however, it was to meet him on board the Deutschland, and six and the Northern or Mandarin dialect D has been found necessary to overhant the go. arrangements were in progress for excursions has four only. A country changes with its down roofs very extensively, and rebuild that by the Prince up country to Rendy and other language, from the simple to the elaborate. of No. 10 godown. Also owing to ravages of places. Telegraphic advices, received to-day, The author justly remarks that the Chinese white unit, which caused during past years show that Prince Heary is to-day at Newers language, being moneyllabic, is still serious damage to cargo, we have had to Eliya, a hill station in Ceylon, some six thousand primitive one and seems to have undergone cement the floor and at the same time to raise feet above She asa, -Straits Times.

the level of A/B godown. Many of these socalled repairs might properly be charged to the first cost of the buildings, incomuch as they are the outcome of converting rough coal sheds into godowns suitable for the accommodation of valuable goods. The item for repairs with such perishable property as wooden wharves, tramways, launches and lighters must

of necessity always occupy a prominent position in our annual expenditure, but we hope, for some time at least, to keep it at very much less than during the last few years, and should you approve a continuance of the policy of transferring \$15,000 annually from working account towards repairs-the balance at credit of depreciation and ropeirs account will, I anticipate, show a satisfactory increase. It does not occur to me to make any further remarks, but before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any ques-

ments in the arrangements of the whole property better and more economical manner. Company has been sold at a satisfactory profit. p. b. or t.

Mr. W. Parlane, according to the Articles imself for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. T. Arnold, who offers himself for re-election. Wm. PARLAND.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. 31sr December, 1897 Value of land and buildings (in Hongkong) as per last statement \$92,000.00 the shape of repairs. Thate great pleasure in Loss written off for depreciation ... 6,000.00 Value of plant and office furniture as per last statement Added during the year Raymond, G. D. Boning, and D. Gubbay be

Mr. Ho Tund proposed that Messrs A. Ross and C. S. Sharp be re-elected directors for the Value of stock in trade Mr. GOOSMANN seconded.

Mr. GRANVILLE SHARP proposed the election of Messrs F. Henderson and W. H. Sandry debtors Potts as auditors. Mr. GEORG seconded. The CHATRMAN—That concludes the business

of the meeting. I have only to inform you that dividend warrants will be posted this afternoon. THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

The following is the report of the directors to the seventh ordinary annual general meeting of shareholders to be held at the offices of the Bank, Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, og Saturday, 12th March, 1898, at noon To the Shareholders, the National Bank of

China, Limited. Gentlemen. The directors in submitting to you the accounts and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1897, repret that the position does not enable them to declare the usual dividend, the heavy fluotrations in exchange during the past year being the cause of this unsatisfactory result. The balance of \$4,523.23 is carried forward to the next account. The last of the unpaid shares having now been forfeited, the amount at credit of capital account is \$2.157.493.32.

tion that you may wish to ask.

seconding the report.

confirmed as Directors

Mr. WILCOX seconded.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN

roposed the adoption of the report and passing

Mr. Wrt.cox-I beg to second the adoption

of the report and accounts. I am sure we have

all heard with very much interest the lengthy

speech of the Chairman, and are gratified to find

that the prospects of the company are so good

Shareholders, I am Bure, will join with me in

surprised at a demand for a vory heavy sum it

Mr Ho FOOK proposed that Messrs. A. J.

The various sams received on sheres partly paid and thus forfaited amounting in all to \$175,560, have been utilized during the past seven years to wipe out bad debts principally incurred at the starting of the Bank here and in Yokohama and Shanghin.

Objections to these appropriations have now been raised by several London shareholders and, in accordance with engrestions received from professional advisors in Loudon, your directors have decided to replace the sums ntilized for balencing bad debts by transferring the balance remaining at oredit of forfeited shares account. together with the balance at credit

of Reserve Fund \$109,496.64 to a new account called Capital Reserve Fond," and propose to bring this account, out

of fature carnings, to a total of \$175,560, i.e., the amount received for forfeited shares. Mr. Gillies and Mr. Chow Tung Shang retire in rotation from the head office board, and the right Hon. C. B. Stuart Wortley, Q.C., M.P. om the London Committee, and being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly. Mr. Stolterfoht having left the colony, Mr. Lauts of Lauts. Wegener & Co., has accepted the vacant seat, and you will please confirm the nomination.

The accounts at the head office have been audited by Messrs, J. H. Cox and W. Hutton Potts, and in London by Messrs. Deloitte. Dever Griffiths & Co., chartered accountants.-Your obedient servant D. Gillies, Chairman

Hongkong, 9th February, 1898. BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1897.

apital, 750 fully paid founder's shares of 🕝 £1 each (at par of 3s.) Capital, partly paid, £323,624 (at par of 3s.) 2,157,493.32 apital reserve fund:---Transfer from reserve fund \$82,0.0.00 Balance of forfeited shares ac-

Bills for collection and branch balances 1,102,709.63 Drafts, acceptances and ondersiments (bills Balance of profit and loss account ash on hand and at bankers Covernment securities belonging to the bank 601,333.34 cills receivable, loans and advances. Bills for collection receivable and branch djusting account (exclusing and interest) ... 689,806.49

\$7,874,443.38 PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, SIST DECEMBER, 1897. To charges, directors? fees and salaries To balance, to be carried forward to next ac-

By balance brought forward from last year ... By gross earnings for the year ending 31st CAPITAL RESERVE FUND, 31st DECEMBER, 1897.

By transfer from reserve fund By balance of forfeited shares account

> PRINCE HENRY. DATE OF ARRIVAL AT SINGAPORE. Singapore, 11th February.

five days. The Teutonia Club are making ex- able to her scholars remains to be seen. Prince. The reception will take the form of a | than make a brief summary of the work. Tanglin, on the evening of Thursday, the conunts, and tones. The less elaborate 24th instant. It is desired to give the en- language, the more primitive it is, so observes tertainment a thoroughly Oriental character. the author. The Cantonose dialect can have The probable items include: native plays, diphthongs only, while tripthongs are found in by dancing girls, and Indian theatricals. The inference is drawn that the former is a more Club would like to invite as many of the non- ancient dialect. The dialect that uses less German community as possible, hat, owing to combinations of wowels must have more tones

GEO. FENWICK & CO. LIMITED. The following is the report to be submitted. to the annual meeting of shareholders to be held on the 28th February: The Directors beg to submit to the share-

holders a Statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1897. The net profit for the year amounts to

the year has kept the staff and plant fully em-The Kowloon land which belonged to the

DIRECTORS.

satisfaction at the ingreased dividend. (Hear, hear.) We hope it may go on and improve, but I am sure we do not wish to see it increase at the expense of the welfare of the company. (Hear, hear.) The fund for repairs and renewals bught to be kept up, and I think that that is the best plan for putting the company on a firm, sound basis, so that we may not be suddenly

\$29,229,24 Less amount written off for depre-

Fixed deposit with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation with Interest to date. Current account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation £300 remittance in transit for new machines.

Capital account, 6,000 shares at \$25 each, Amount received in advance on account of contracts in hand Sundry creditors

Halance of profit and loss account PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, 31st DECEMBER, 1897. lo labour, material, and working expenses ... \$110,548.7 To fire insurance
To amount of bad debts written of le amount written off plant account

e amount written off property account lo balance to be appropriated, viz: :--Directors' fee ... 1,000.00 Dividend of 12 per cent, on Balance to be carried forward to new account..... 17.851.85

By amount brought forward from last year's y gross earnings By transfer foos...... By interest account y bonus from insurance office y profit on sale of Yaumate property

CORRESPONDENCE [We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

A NEW SYSTEM OF WRITING CHINESE CHARACTERS. TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." DEAR SIR,-I beg to ask you to insert through your valuable paper the enclosed letter of Mr. Wong Kokschan, which was attention to the correspondence in another olumn on the subject of phonetic Chinese. from Mr. Wong Kok shan, of the Engineering and Mining Co. The letter itself; quite apart from its subject matter, is, we think a very

high tribute to native ability, as for lucidity and phraseology it is quite a master-piece of English writing, and we are much indebted to Mr. Wong for the very forcible way in which he has placed his subject before the public. Asfor the subject matter itself, not being conversant with the multitudinous mysteries of the language, we do not feel competent to express any decided opinion on the merits of the system; but the fact of its compilation, and the study and research which it implies, as well as the familiarity with modern linguistic principles, cannot but be distinctly encouraging to those who believe in the future influence of young

Regarding the last paragraph of Mr. Wong Cok-shan's letter. I would point out that the author is not introducing his system to the pupils in the grant-in aid schools in this colony; he has only given a few lessons at his residence to some boys during the last two months and finds them learning and writing. easily; some of them are now studying without any aid while some can write fluently. I may add that the Inspector of schools should allow this new system of writing to be introduced to the pupils in the Chinese grant-in-aid schools. so that the poor can read and write with a few months' study.-Yours truly.

WONG KWONG. Hougkong, 21st February, 1898.

Enclosure) TO THE EDITOR OF THE "PEKING AND TIENTSIN TIMES.

DEAR SIE,-Under the heading of "Th uture Education of China," the N. C. Daily Vews of the 29th October last made the follow ing remarks:--"But even then we believe sl will have little chance of catching up with the European peoples until some lucky genius shall have hit upon a romanised system of translitera tion equal to her requirements and acceptable to her scholars." Acting, seemingly upon this stimulus, a Cantoneso by name of Wong Yukcho, has recently published in Hongkong phonetic system of writing Chinese characters at once simple and pasy. Though the work is entirely original, the author has in the main taken a leaf from the Japanese way of writing characters, which, unlike the Chinese way, phonetic, in spite of the fact that the two rain. languages came from the same origin and of the many features of similarity still existing between them. Under this new system, the writing still retains the form of a Chinese character. February. For London :- 170 rolls matting,

and bears a strong resemblance to Pitman's preserves, 174 casks ginger, 109 cases chinaware, shorthand. In this respect, it seems to go one. 100 bales broken cassia, 49 casks soy, 43 cases better than the suggested romanised system, as blackwoodware, 41 bales feathers, 25 cases bristo study the latter a knowledge of the European | tles, 20 cases anisocd oil, 17 cases gongs, 10 cases orthography is a pre-requisite, while the former, furniture, 8 bags tailings, 3 bags beancakes, though based on the foreign alphabet, can be and I case ouries. For Manchester:—100 bales waste eilk. For London and/or Manchester :learnt independently of it, albeit a notion of the. 50 bales waste silk. For Dundee -50 casks foreign spelling will help the learner a great deal. There can be no question but that this stant, with his squadron—the Deutschland and system, if adopted, will be equal to the requirethe Getion. Prince Henry may stay here about | ments of China; but whother it will be decept tensive festive arrangements to receive the give some idea of the system. I cannot do better The opening chapter treats of vowels, con-

very little change since its original formation.

He sees in this the difficulty of revolutionising the conservative spirit of China. Chapters II, and III, deal with adaptation of the system to telegraphy and semaphoric communications by flags or reflecting lights. The sound of a Chinese character is divided into two parts, the profixing consonant and the rhyming part, tables of which with the corresponding signs used are given in the succeed-338,196.41, to which has to be added \$5,310.44, ing chapters. It appears the Cautonese dialect brought forward from last year's account has 22 prefixing consonants and 54 rhymes From this amount it is proposed to pay a findfulling the peculiar usual sound ng., and in dividend of 12 per cent., or \$18,000, to there addition to these there are 8 profixing conhelders. Auditor's fee \$150. Directors' fee sonants and 20 rhymes peculiar to the Northern \$1,000, transfer \$7,000.00 to reserve fund, and Fukenese dialects, and 10 rhymes peculiar and to carry forward the balance of \$17,358.85 to the Hakka dislect. Here it is pointed out that the Chinese language is simply the com-The work coming to the Company during bination of the above prefixing consonants and rhymes, and does not go beyond them. Next ployed, while the new tools acquired and improved the distinguishing of tones by certain indicating signs occupies another chapter. No signs are have enabled the work to be carried out in a necessary for distinguishing the upper, even tone and the upper, entering tone in the Cautonego dialect, the latter always ending in either

It might be urged by critics that the system must needs be fore-doomed to failure by the of Association, retires at this time, but offers simple fact that there are many Chinese characters having the same sound but written differently and bearing totally different meanings. To this, the author replies that by a reference to the context and the trend of arguments one must know what particular character a phonetic writing designates. However, there night be rare cases in which the ambiguity could not be cleared by referring to the context; and in order to meet with such a contingency, o. the author has divided the Chinese lunguage into eight parts of speach and eight subject hendings, and has devised some simple signs for marking them. To a beginner, this may prove a pone asinorum, but the calling in aid of such

signs is rarely, if at all, necessary. Simple and easy as the system is, a still simpler set of writings, corresponding to it, has also been made for shorthand. Some years ago an attempt was made to adapt Pitman's system for Chinese stenography, but while ingenious 80,859.90 Fin its way, it was criticised as of no practical 323.20 value on account of its complicated nature Such criticism cannot; however, be applied to this present system of shorthand writing. -Being capable to express not only the written but all the spoken language as well, this system can 7,555.15 truly be said to apply a gap in the Chinese vocabulary, there being many colloquialisms

having no equivalent characters.
The author is now introducing his system to the pupils in the grant-in-aid schools in Hongkong, and it is understood and assimilated in a very short time. While not over sanguine that the system can be universally adopted unless one common dialect is used in China, or at the most two, the Northern and the Southern, I think its utility for shorthand reporting at least will be generally appreciated.-Yours truly,

WONG KOK-SHAN, Tientsin, 2nd February, 1898.

RUSSIAN NAVAL REINFORCE-MENTS.

Without attracting much attention to the move, the Russian government are sending out to the East another warship, the Siesoi Veliky, lately representing Russia in the international squadron stationed in Cretan waters. It was on board this vessel, it will be remembered, that a terrible explosion occurred while gun practice was going on. A charge exploded while a big gun was being loaded, and the roof of the turret was blown off, half of it going overboard and the other half falling on deck and crushing number of men. This in addition to those who were killed in and about the turret by the

blast of the explosion itself. The Sissoi Veliky will be the first battleship despatched by Russia to Eastern waters, and will form a strong addition to an already powerful squadron. There can be but little doubt that the sending out of Sissoi Veliky, the Rossia, and the Vladimir Monomach (now on her way out) has impelled the British Government to continue to add strength to the China squadron by the despatch of the Burfleur and the retention of the Orlando and Edgar, both of which have time expired crows on board, who, after a three years' commission, are therefore at the highest possible pitch of training. The Sissoi Veliky (also written Cizoi Veliky) was launched in the spring of 1894. The following are her chief dimensions :- Length over all 345 feet beam-66 feet 6 inches draught of water 24 feet; displacement 8.880 tons. She has a belt 153 inches thick, with turret armour of the same thickness. There are two turrets, one forward and the other aft., each armed with two 12 inch guns (Oboukhoff type). The auxiliary published by the Peking and Tientsin Times on armament includes 6 6-in, and 12 1.8-in Q F. 5th instant. The Peking and Tientsin Times | guns, &c. The engines develop 8,500 horse made the following remarks :- "We draw power, steam being supplied by twelve Belleville boilers placed in three compartments. The ordinary coal supply is 550 tons, sufficient for 5,000 miles at 10 knots. He speed is put at 16

> If, as is pretty certain, the Cardiff coal at Colombo, where the Sissoi Veliky is now reported to be, is reserved for the British Admiralty, it will not be easy for that Russian ship to reach Vladivostock for the present, at least without considerable delay.

 It is announced that the first-class battleship Namrin is also on her way out here to join the Russian squadron. This is a battle-ship of 9,746 tions, nearly 1,000 tous heavier than the Sissoi Veliley. The Navarin was built at St. Petersburg in 1891, at a cost of over £770,000. She carries four 12 in 52 ton guns with a complement of quick firers, as secondary armament. She carries 1.200 tons of coal in her bunkers and is rated at a speed of 16 knots. With the battleships Sissoi Veliky, Navarin (both to arrive) and first-class cruisors Rurils, Rossia, Vladimir Monomach (to arrivo). Admiral Nachimoff, Dimitri Donekoi, in addition to sundry second-class and third-class cruisers, gun-vessols, etc., the Russian squadron in the Far East is being rapidly brought to a very high level of strength On consideration of the relative power of the squadrons it may be at once assumed that the battleship Barfleur and another first class cruiser do not represent by any means all the reinforcements that the British Government will send to the China Station, leaving out the cortainty that in emergency the Royal Arthur would come up from Australia, the Imperieuse. from Vancouver and the St. George from the Cape.—Singapore Free Press.

SEIFFING REPORTS.

The Norwegian steamer Urd, from New York and Singapore 18th Feb., had southerly wind and fine weather all the passage The British steamer Chelydra, from Calcutta 6th Feb. Penang 11th, and Singapore 16th, had light N.N.E. winds to Penang; thence light winds and calms to lat. 11 Not thence to 180 miles south of Hongkong moderate southerly winds; afterwards strong northerly winds and

The British steamer Formosa, from Tamsui

7th Feb., Amov 19th, and Swatow 21st, had

fresh N.E. monsoon and cloudy weather with

occasional rain squalls to Amoy. From Amoy

to Swatow fresh N.N.E. winds and heavy rain.

From Swatow to port fresh northerly wind and EXPORT CARGO: Per steamship Pingaucy, sailed on the 15th though more like the ancient than the modern, 330 bales caues, 258 bags ivory nuts, 237 cases

> ginger. For Glasgow :- 1 package ironward. "The Patentees-Maculyon & Cameron, Limited: DESERVE A NATIONAL MEMORIAL for their excellent inventions." - Dover Chronicle. THE WAVEBLEY PEN. THE PICKWICK PEN. THE HINDOO PEN. The Own Pan. Sold by all Stationers, Waverley Works, Edinburg.

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NOTICE.

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SHEWAN, TOMES, & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkoug, 8th February, 1898.

Hougkong, 19th February, 1898.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 8 %, per Share and

Bonus of 4 % per Share for the six fronths ending 31st December, 1897, declared

at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be

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Shureholders are requested to apply for DIVI-

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TO SHIPMASTERS

THOS. I. ROSE,

Secretary.

OFFICE, No. 14, PRAYA CENTRAL

By Order of the Board of Directors.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898.

Japan.

Miike Coal Mines.

Ohnoura Coal Mines. Kanada Coal Mines.

Shanghai.

Hayashi Clock Factory.

Hongkong 4th August, 1897

AGENCIES:-

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Hougkong, 1st December, 1897.

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LEASEHOLD PROPERTY: THE Undersigned has received instructions

PUBLIC AUCTION TUESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1898, at 3 o'clook P.M. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, IN THE FOLLOWING LOTS:--

· to Sell by ·

LOT I. All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate near the GAP, VICTORIA PEAK, in the Island of Heigkorg and measuring on the North side thereof 247 feet and 6 inches or thereabouts, on the East side thereof 246 feet or thereabouts, on the South-west side thereof 575 feet or thereabouts, containing in the whole 78,806 square feet or thereabouts which said Piece or Parcel of Ground is registered in the LAND OFFICE AS RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 5 and is held for a term of 75 years from the 1st day of January, 1878, at the yearly, Crown Rent of \$18.09 Hongkong Currency.

All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate near the GAP, VICTORIA PEAK, in the Island of Hongkong and measuring on the North side thereof 30 feet or thereabouts, on the South side thereof 120 feet or thereabouts. on the East side thereof 275 feet or thereabouts, and on the West side thereof 246 feet or thereabouts, containing in the whole 19,400 square feet or thereabouts which said Piece or Parcel of Ground is registered in the LAND OFFICE as RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 17 and is held for a term of 75 years commencing from the 28th day of February, 1882, at the yearly Crown Rent of \$13.36 Hongkong Currency. Together with the messuages, erections, and buildings upon the above mentioned Pieces or Parcels of Ground known as "CRAIGIE-

There is a quantity of FURNITURE upon the above mentioned premises which can be pur-- chased from the Vendor at a valuation. And at 3.30 P.M. on the said 1st day of March

1898, if not sold previously by Private Con-

LOT II. All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at Victoria Peak in the land of Hongkong and registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section D of RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 9, together with the messuage or tenement thereon known as No. 6, STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Peak aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$2.36 Hongkong Car-

LOT III. All that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at VICTORIA PEAR in the Island of Hongkong and registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section C of RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 9, together with the messuage or tenement thereon known as No. 7. STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Peak aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Reut of \$3.35 Hongkong Cur-

All that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at VICTORIA PEAK in the Island of Hongkong and registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section C of RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 9, together with the messuage or tenement thereon known as No. 8. STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Peak aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years commonoing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$3.34 Hongkong Currency.

LOT V. All that portion of the PIECE or PARCE! of GROUND situate at VICTORIA PEAK in the Island of Hongkong and registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section C of RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 9, together with the messuage or tenement thereon known as No. 9 STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Peak aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$3.34 Hongkong Cur-The four above mentioned properties are sold

subject to existing tenancies and all rights of way over them. LOT VI. All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND

situate at MOUNT KELLETT. Victoria Peak, in the Island of Hongkong abutting on the North and East sides thereof on RURAL BUILD-ING LOT No. 81, and measuring thereon 166 feet or thereabouts on the South side thereof partly on MOUNT KELLETT ROAD and partly THIHE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY on Crown Land and measuring thereon respectively 95 feet and seven feet or thereabouts and on the West side thereof on Crown Land and measuring thereon 169 feet or thereabouts, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 10,080 square feet or thereabouts and is registered in the LAND OFFICE as-RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 82, together with the two messuages or tenements erected thereon and respectively known as "WAGEN-INGEN" and "THE RETREAT," held for a term of 75 years commencing from the 10th day of December, 1877, at the yearly Crown Rent of \$4, Hongkong Currency.

The two above mentioned properties are sold subject to existing tenancies and all rights of way over them. All the properties above mentioned will be sold subject to the Particulars and Conditions of Sale, which may be obtained from the Undersigned or from Messrs. Jourson. STOKES & MASTER Solicitors for the Vendor, No. 12, Queen's Road Central. GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer. Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898.

WING NAM & CO. HAVE FOR SALE

MANILA CIGARS, CIGARETTES, and TOBACCO, &c., &c. Wholesale and Retail. Also JEWELLERY. No. 96, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 1st February, 1898.

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE BIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL ■ MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 9, PRAYA CENTRAL, on SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1898, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to 30th September, 1897.

By Order of the Board of Directors. JAMES B. DUNCAN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 28th February, at Twelve o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 28th February, both days inclusive By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary. Hongkong, 5th February, 1898. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

N EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Victoria, on MON-DAY, the 28th February, at 12.15 o'clock P.M., when the subjoined Rosolutions will be pro-RESOLUTIONS.

That Articles Nos. 53 and 122 of the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by eliminating therefrom the word "February and substituting therefor the word "March. That Article No. 7 be altered by inserting the words "or Extra Reserve Fund" immediately after the word "Fund" in the sixth line of the said Article, and the words "and Extra Reserve Fund" immediately after the word "Fund" in the seventh line of the said Article. That Article No. 121 be altered by insertingthe words "and subject to the provisions of Articles 1914 and 1212" immidiately after the word "sum" and before the word "be" in the

fourth line of such Article. That the following Articles be inserted immediately after Article No. 121 and be numhered Articles 121A and 121B. 121A,-"Although the Reserve Fund may

"amount to the sum of One Million "Dollars the Directors may nevertheless "at their discretion from time to time "appropriate a portion, not exceeding "ten per cent, of the net income and pro-"fits earned by the Company in any one vear, to the formation of an additional "Reserve Fund, to be called 'Extra Re-" serve Fund."

121B.—"The monies standing at the credit "of the Extra Reserve Fund may be "applicable for the equalization of "dividends, and such monies, or some "portion thereof, may, whenever the "Directors shall think fit, be appropriated "towards the equalization of dividends."

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Hongkong, 5th February, 1898.

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LIMITED. FINE NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHULDERS will be held in the Hongkong Hotel on MONDAY, 28th February, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a dividend, and electing Direc-

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th to 28th February, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors. W. G. WINTERBURN General Manager.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1898. HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the above COMPANY, will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, PED-DER'S STREET, on MONDAY, the 28th day of February, 1898, at 12.30 of the Clock in the AFTERNOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1897, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th February, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1898. THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFAC-TURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE. HOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the I COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 9, PRAYA CENTRAL, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 7th March, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1897, declaring a Dividend and

electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st inst. to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1893.





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INTIMATIONS

THE JAPAN FIRE INSURANCE

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CAPITAL.....1,000,000 YEN Divided into 10,000 Shares of 100. YEN EACH.

Of which it is proposed to call up 50 year 2,500 Sheres, the equivalent of Yen 250,000, have been subscribed for and will be allotted and the remaining 7,500 Shares are new offered for subscription, on which 10 Yen are to be paid on application 15 Yen on allotment, and

25 Yen on completion of the registration of the Company, not later than the Soth day of PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS F. Grösser, Esq., of the firm of Grösser & Co. S. ISAACS, Esq., of the firm of R. Isaacs & Bro

F. Lowner, Esq., Barrister at Law: M. McDonald, Esq., Paymaster, Unite States Navy. W. F. MITCHELL, Esq. of the firm of Samuel Samuel & Co. R. Monse, Esq., President of the American Trading Co. W. W. TILL, Esq., of the firm of Cornes & Co

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THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAL BANKING CORPORATION. THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

LEGAL ADVISER

J. F. LOWDER, Esq. RESENT conditions seem to indicate that a revival of the project to form a local Fire Insurance Company, which was attempted some years age but failed, will now meet with success; indeed, so many and so encouraging have been the promises already volunteered that a ressonable hope is entertained of the present proposal meeting with the almost ontire support of the community,—the more so as it is not intended that the Company shall apply for membership with the Associated Fire In

surance Companies, with a view to working in conjunction with the Taviff Officer, but rather that its interests shall be identified with those of the Assured; to which end provision will b made in the Articles of Association for the return to contributors of a bonus out of surplus The Hougkong Fire Insurance Company 2,000,000, of which only \$400,000 have been

called up, i.e., \$50 on a \$250 share; yet it has Reserve Fund of over a million dollars; a sum of nearly \$305,000 at Working Account and its shares are quoted at \$365. The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited was started in 1870, also with a capital of \$2,000,000, of which only \$400,000 have been. called up, i.e., \$20 on every \$100 share; yet it has a Reserve Fund of nearly \$887,000; a sum

of \$267,000 at Working Account, and its shares are quoted at \$106. In view of these ligures which are taken from the Share Report of Messes, Benjamin, Kelly & Potts, Hongkong Share Brokers, for the week ended the 29th of December, 1897, it is difficult to see any reason why the proposed Company should not, in course of time, and under efficient management, attain to a like

degree of prosperity. Statistics of the aggregate annual losses caused by fire in Yokohama in provious years are unfortunately not procurable. But it is estimated in the Annual Report of the Yokohams Fire Brigade for the year 1896 that during that year the sum of Yen 45,300 sufficed to cover the whole damage done in the settlement of Yokohama, of which sum the largest amount paid on any one risk was Yen 12,000, and the smallest was Yan 300; whilst on the Bluff there were only four free, the loss aggregating Yen 52,000, of which sum Yen 35,000 represented the damage caused by the most everwhelming conflagration that has ever occurred on the Bluff since it first began to be built upon thirty years ago, and which destroyed seven houses on one block. Nevertheless, it is seen that a sum of less than Yen 100,000 is computed to have covered the whole losses sustained by

occurring on the Bluff and in the Bettlement in the year 1896. The Report of the Fire Brigade for 1897 is not yet published; but it may be assumed that the figures will show an equally favourable re- THIHE ORDINARY SHARE CERTIFIsult for the Fire Insurance Companies. From Kobe it is learned that in the year 1896. ORDINARY SHARES numbered 10,625/ there occurred three fires, occasioning on es- 10.649 standing in the Register in the name of timated aggregate less of Yen 113,000; and WERNER KROHN, of Foothew, having been that in the year 1897 there occurred nine fires, | declared LOST, notice is hereby given that unthe loss on one of which has not been ascer- less the said certificate be produced at the tained and on the other eight is estimated at LIQUIDATOR'S OFFICE, No. 9, PRAYA Yen 29,085. The premia collected by the CENTEAL, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before

all the Insurance Companies together by fires

thirty-nine Companies doing business in Kobe the 26th day of February, 1898, a new certification is calculated to range from Yen 250,000 to Yen onte for the said shares will be issued and the As regards Nagasaki it has been ascertained Liquidator as null and void that the premia paid to the Fire Insurence Companies at the port during the year 1897

amounted to Yen 17,000, against which there The business of the proposed Company will be confined to Japan at the outset; but power will be reserved to extend it to other countries. Negotiations have already been opened with the object of procuring for the Company the Agencies of Insurance Companies established

THILE CERTIFICATE of 12 Shares numin other parts of the world, and not at present represented in Japan. Applications for Shares should be made on the accompanying form and forwarded-to either of the Bankers of the Company, together with LOST, Notice is hereby given that a duplicate the amount payable on application. If only a portion of the Shares applied for by any one applicant be allotted, the surplus of the ficate, unless produced within that period, will amount paid on deposit will be appropriated thereafter be held by the Company as null and

towards the sum due on allotment. In cases void. where no allotment is made, the sum deposited will be returned in full. Prospectuses and forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the offices of the Company's Bankers at Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Hongkong, and Shanghai, at which places Share Lists will be opened simultaneously, on Monday, the 21st day of February, and closed

at Noon on Monday, the 18th day of February, Dated at Yokohama the 1st day of Feb., 1898.

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Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 27th October, 1897. Hongkong, 8th June, 1896. TORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN TILE INSURANCE COMPANY. TOTAL FUNDS AT SIST DECEMBER,

1896, £12,954,532 0s. 0d. RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-BOLDNES 2800,000 I. AUTHORISED CAPITAL £3,000,000 £ SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 2,750,000 INTERNAT allowed on Current Account at the rate of5% per annum on the Daily balances The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are pre-On Fixe Deposits for 12 months ... 4 percent. pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

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THE FRENCH MAIL The M. M. steamer Melbourne, with the French mail of the 28th ultime, left Singapore on Sunday, the 20th instant, at 4 p.m., and On London-may be expected here on or about Sunday, Teleponic the 27th instant. This Packet brings replies. to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 22nd December. THE AMERICAN MAIL.

mail of the 25th ultime, left Yokohama on Thursday, the 17th instant, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 25th instant. The O. & O. steamer Captic, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sen, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on ON NEW YORK. the Srd instant. The P. M. steamer City of Rio de Janeiro, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobo, Nagasikicand Shanghai on the 12th instant. THE CANADIAN MAIL. The C. P. R. steamer Empress of Japan with the Canadian mail left Shanghai on Mon-

THE AUSTRALIAN MALL. The C. N. Co.'s steamer Taiynan, from Australian ports, left Port Darwin on the 20th instant, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 1st March. MERCHANT STEAMERS.

pected here on or about Wednesday, the 25th

The N. P. stoamer Braemar sailed from Facoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 3rd instant. .The "Ben-" Line steamer Benlomond, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this port on the 17th instant. The steamer Glenshiel, from Middlesboro, London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Friday, the 18th instant. The P. & O. steamer Secotive left Singapore for this port on the 18th instant, at 5 p.m. The C. Mutual steamer Canfu, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on Rell's Asbestos E. A. Saturday, the 19th instant, and may be expected Campbell, Moore & Co. here on or about Friday, the 25th instant.

instant. PASSED THE CANAL. OUTWARD-18th Jan-Devoushire, 21st Jan -Pathan. 25th Jan-Venus. 28th Jan,-Giscla, Ixion, Anapa, Trieste. 31st Jan .-Ailsa, Oceana, Energia. 1st Fob.—Craig. 4th February.—Gerda, Bennoirlich, Sunda. 8th February-Hounston. 11th February -Menelaus, Atton, Glancus, Latona, February—Bayern, Rose, Costle. 13th February-Shanghai. Telamon, ErnestSimons, Manila, Oolong, Andaluzia, Avala.

left Singapore for this port on the 17th justant,

and may be expected here on or about the 24th

Monmouthshire, Della. POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

PEAR DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m. A MAIL WILL CLOSE. For Singapore, Colombo and Bombay.-Per Matsuyania Mara, to-day, the 23rd instant.

For Swatow, Foschow and Shanghai.-Per Kwongsang, to-day, the 23rd inst., at 3,30 P.M. For Singapore and Rangeon.-Per Glenesk, to-day, the 23rd instant, at 3.30 r.m. For Saigon.—Per Canton, to-day, the 23rd inst. at $4.30 \, \text{P.M.}$ For Yokohama.—Per Rio, to-day, the 23rd instant, at 430 P.M. For Wuchow.—Per Lee On, to-day, the 23rd instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Hollow and Pakhoi.—Por Hallan, today, the 23rd inst., at 5.00 P.M. For Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui.-Per For mosa, to-day, the 23rd inst., at 5.00 P.M. For Swatow and Bangkek .-- Per Loosok, to morrow, the 24th instant, at 9.30 A.M. For Shanghai.—Per Singan, to-morrow, the 4th instant, at 1.30 P.M. For Kudat and Sandakan.—Per Memnon, tonorrow, the 24th instant, at 2.30 P.M. For Amoy and Manila.—Per Esmeralda, tomorrow, the 24th instant, at 4.30 PM. For Singapore, Samarang and Sourabaya - | Tebrau Planting Co. .. Per Chunsang, on Friday, the 25th instant, at

11.30 а.м.

5.00 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama - Per Socotra, on Friday, the 25th inst., at 11.00 P.M. For Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne -- Per Omi Mara, on Friday, the 25th inst., at 3,00 P.M. For Tientsin.—Per Kweiyang, on Friday, the 25th inst., at 3.30 P.M. For Swatow and Shanghai. - Per Choysang, on Friday, 25th Instant, at 3.30 P.M. For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama-Per Old Malwa (4/5 v'rs)... 1820 0 to 2

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET The French Contract Packet Sudney will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 20th instant, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, via Marseilles, to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australusian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and 8.00 A.M. Posting of Prices Current and Cir-10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases

11.00 A.M.—Mail closes MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET. The German Contract Packet Sachsen, Kochi 29.91 will be despatched on TUESDAY, the let Nagasaki 20.75 March, with Mails for the United Kingdom | Kagoshima ... 29.68 Europe and countries beyond, via Naples, (intzlaff Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c. Registry ceases at 7.30, A.M. The mail closes at 8.00 A.M., Late letters Canton 29.86 8.10 to 8.30 A.M. with 10 cents extra

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACKET. The Canadian Mail Packet Empress of Japan will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the foth Mar., with Mails for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., which will be closed as follows:--10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.

may be posted on board the Packet with the time of departure. MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET. The British Contract Packet Coromandel, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 5th Murch, Victoria Peck - -

and countries beyond, via Brindisi; to the Macao Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Haiphong ... Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. 8.00 A.M. - Posting of Prices Current and Cir Manila culars ceases. 10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases. 10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and

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11.00 A.M. Mail Closes

LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10

On the 27nd at 11.35 a.m. The barometer has risen considerably on the China coast, fallon in the extreme considerably on the China coast, fallon in the extreme North. Pressure is highest over Control China, lowest in the depression now probably moving to the NE. over Japan.

Gradients moderate. Forecast:—Fresh N. and NE. winds:

dull at first, then improving. HONGKONG REGISTER

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH. PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL VESSEL'S NAME: LAG & RIO. CAPTAIN, DESTINATION. LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. LONDON VIA STRAITS, &c. Coroman BREMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL Sachsen ANTWERP, BREMEN, H'BERG, &c. Crefold YOKOHAMA VIA -NA- SOCOTEA Noon, 25th Freight (Passing throught GASAKI & KOBE J. Paine, E.N.R. February the Inland Sea.) ANTWERP, Bremen, H'Behc, &c.

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"LENNOX Captain T. Darke, will be despatched as above Captain Williamson, will be despatched as above TO MORROW, the 24th inst., at DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Aconts.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1898.

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1898. [476] CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY. LIMITED.

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Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at | vious to sailing. DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1898.

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"LYDERHORN" Captain Hammoraes, will be despatched as above on or about the 25th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. Agents Hongkong, 14th February, 1898.

/ THE Company's Steamship "COPTIC" CO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE. INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONO-LULU on SATURDAY, the 12th March,

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of

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address in full; and some will be received at the Company's Office until Fire r.m. the day pro-

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For further information as to Freight or

FOR PREIGHT APPLY TO Butterfield & Swire On 1st March. Brit. str. ... Asquith February. On or about 19th March. P. & O. S. N. Co. On 5th March, at Noon. P. & O. S. N. Co. On let Mor., at 9 A.M. Melchers & Co. On or about 15th March. On 26th inst., at Noon. Messageries Maritimes. On 16th Mar., at Noon. Canadian Pacific R. Co. On 15th March, at Noon. Dodwell, Carlill & Co... Brit. str. ... Porter On 8th March at Noon. Dodwell, Carlill & Co. On 12th March, at Noon. O. & O. B. E. Co. On 3rd March, at Noon.
About 28th inst. P. M. S. S. Co. . Dodwell, Carlill & Co. On or about 25th inst. Shewan, Tomes & Co. On 6th Mar., Daylight. On 25th inst., at Noon. P. & O. S. N. Co. Brit, str. Pains, R.W.B. On or about 27th inst. Messagories Maritimes... Fren. str.... Ducheteau On or about 5th March. Brit. str. ... Andrews, R.W. To-morrow, at Daylight. Dodwell, Carlill & Co. Brit, str. ... Williamson . On or about 1st March. Dodwell, Carlill & Co. Brit. str. ... Day To-morrow, at 2 P.M. Butterfield & Swire On or about 5th March. P. & O. S. N. Co. On 25th inst., at 4 P.M. Brit. str. ... Outerbridge ... Butterfield & Swire Douglas Lapraik & Co. To morrow, at Daylight Shewan, Tomes & Co. To-morrow, at Noon. Brit. str. ... Taylor Nippon Yusen Knisha On 25th inst., at 4 P.M. Gibb, Livingston & Co. On 5th Mar., Daylight Butterfield & Swire To morrow, at 3 P.M. Jardine Matheson & Co... On 25th inst., at Noon.
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Carlowitz & Co......... On 25th inst., at Noon.
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NOTICE. · ·

STEAM FOR

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EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITER-

RANEAN AND BUACK SEA

PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,

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N SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1898,

port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This steamer connects at COLOMBO with

the S. S. "CALEDONIEN," which vessel

port on the _____ direct to Suez. Port Said.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.

Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 25th

Pebruary. (Parcels are not to be sent on board;

they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

AND YOKOHAMA.

"MELBOURNE;"

For Freight or Passage, apply to-G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

U.S. MAIL LINE

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COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Shanghai. Nagasaki, SATURDAY, April 9,

TTHE U.S. Mail Steamship "PERU"

will be despatched for SAN FRAN-

CISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI,

KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA

on THURSDAY, the 3rd March, 1898, at

Japan, the United States, and Europe. .

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Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-

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Passengers holding orders for OVER-

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Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,

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Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-

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Freight will be received on board until 4 r.m.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-

Government officials and their families.

24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

3, 1898, at Noon.

TUESDAY, March

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22, 1898, at Noon.

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Sea, Yokohama and

Honolulu)

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE (Florio and Rubatt Shited Companies). STEAM FOR SIN PENANG.

Captain Tayler, will be despatched for the above This Steamer has superior accommodation for Passongers and is fitted with the Electric

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FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAL.

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Captain E. J. Buller, will be despatched a above on FRIDAY, the 25th inst., at Noon. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA. MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,

THEOUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF. CONTINENTAL

Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOM-BAY, on SATURDAY, the 5th MARCH, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the Silk and Valuables all Cargo for France and Tes for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer procaeding direct to Marseilles and London. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and con litions of the Company's Bills

Superintendent. OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGRONG. Nagasaki, Kobo, In-/SATURDAY, March land Seu, Yokohama, 12, 1898, at Noon. Nagasaki, Kobe, In- THURSDAY, March land Sea, and Yoko- 31, 1898, at Noon.

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LAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONO-LULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point on route.

[11] the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained SACHSEN | Tuesday | 1st March upon application.

Government officials and their families.

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1893,

VESSELS ON THE BERTH COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

having connexion with company 6 Mail Steamers to ADEN, SVEZ, PORT SAID, SAIGON, MESSINA NAPLES, LEGHORN, and COLOMBO GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIO LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERI CAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

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"SYDNEY," Captain Aubert, with Mails, Fassengers, Specie, and Cargo will leave this "LETIMBRO." Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th inst., at Noon. takes on her passengers and mails, leaving that At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK. For further particulars regarding Freight and Marseilles. and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO.,

Hongkong, 21st February, 1898. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY. LIMITED. FOR TIENTSIN DIRECT.

"KWEIYANG." Captain (Outorbridge, will be despatched above on FRIDAY, the 25th inst., at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 21st February, 1898.

THE Company's Steamship

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE (Calling at Timon, Port Darwin and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking

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HE Steamship "AIRLIE! Captain Fills, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 5th March, This well-known Steamer is specially, fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Lee, &c., throughout the voyage.

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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. FIRE Steamship "GHAZEE" will be despatched as above on or about 28th To be followed by the S.S. "PATHAN" sail about 20th Mar., 1898.

S.S. "LENNOX" do. 10th April, 1898. do. 30th April, 1898. S.S. "ENERGIA." For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Hongkong, 2nd February, 1898.

UCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

HE Company's Steamship "NESTOR."

Captain Asquith, will be desputched as aboveon TUESDAY, the 1st March. For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 21st February, 1898.

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUE2

PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG. PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

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BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGRONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports | Wednesday ... | 30th Mar. n Moxico. Central and South America, by the PRINZ HEINBICH | Wednesday ... | 27th April. Company's and connecting Steamers. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages | Wednesday ... | 20th July will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to PRINZ HEINRICH | Wednesday ... | 17th Aug. address in full; value of same is required. Wednesday ... | 14th Sept. DARMSTADT Wednesday ... | 12th Oct. tined to points beyond San Francisco in the Wednesday ... | 9th Nov. United States should be sent to the Company's | Wednesday ... | 7th Dec.

and carries a Dootor and a Stewarda's.

Office in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 7, Praya Cont-al J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALL-Hongkong, 14th Fabruary, 18:8 ING at NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS. on SATURDAY, the 26th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until & P.M. on

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS MONDAY, the 28th February, and Parcels will A in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Monday, the 28th February. Contents of are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will South Africa, in connection with Indobe signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. 8 fortnightly not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Management. The Steamer has splendid accommodation service hence to Caldurra, Soilings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS overy fortuight. For freight and further particulars,

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VESSEL ON THE BERTH NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE. STEAM FOR STRAITS: CEYLON, MEDI TERRANEAN PORTS, ANTWERP BREMEN, AND HAMBURG. HE Company's Extra Steamer

"CREFELD," will be despatched as above on or about 15th of For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & CO.,

Hongkong, 18th February, 1898. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

STEAMSHIP "OCEANIEN." COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. Sidon, from Havre, ex Sidon, and from Bordeaux, ex Cambrae in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees. before NOON, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimedafter WEDNES. DAY, the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent and landing charges. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst., or they will COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, not be recognised. All Damaged Packages will be examined on

WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been offected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE. THE Steamship

" AMPHITRITE," Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon- having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in informed that their Goods, are being landed at transit through Marseilles for the principal their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on the 26th February, or they will not he recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 26th February, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER & CO., Hongkong, 19th February, 1898. ** NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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